

ELECTION

The Examiner has issued an Election of Species Requirement between the following species;

Species 1: an ESD protection device having an isolation region, first and second gates, first and second doping regions, first doping region having a first discontinuity region;

Species 2: an ESD protection device having an isolation region, first and second gates, first and second doping regions, second doping region having a first discontinuity region;

Species 3: an ESD protection device having an isolation region, first gate only, first and second doping regions, first doping region having a first discontinuity region;

Species 4: an ESD protection device having an isolation region, first gate only, first and second doping regions, second doping region having a first discontinuity region;

Species 5: an ESD protection device having an isolation region, first gate only, first and second doping regions, and the isolation region protruding into the first doping region only near the first end of the first gate;

Species 6: an ESD protection device having an isolation region, first gate only, first and second doping regions, and the isolation region protruding into the second doping region only near the first end of the first gate;

Species 7: an ESD protection device having an isolation region, first gate only, first and second doping regions, and the isolation region has a first portion under the first end of the first gate protruding into both the first and second doping regions;

Species 8: an ESD protection device having an isolation region, first gate only, first and second doping regions, and a third doping region under the first and the second regions near the

first end of the first gate, having a doping concentration lower than that of the first and second doping regions; and

Species 9 (referred to by the Examiner as Species 10): an ESD protection device having an isolation region, first gate only, first and second doping regions, and the first gate protruding into the first doping region having a defined width in relation to other parts of structure.

In response to this Election of Species Requirement, Applicant hereby elects Species I, Figs. 5A and 5B. Claims 1-10 should read on this elected species. This election is with traverse.

REMARKS

Claim 15 has been amended, claims 59-93 have been cancelled, and claim 104 has been presented. Reconsideration of the application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

It is respectfully submitted that it should be no undue burden on the Examiner to consider all claims in the single application. Moreover, because at least generic claim 104 should be in condition for allowance, this Election of Species Requirement should also be overcome and withdrawn.

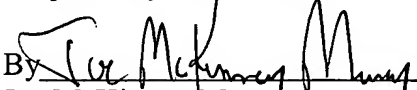
In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, favorable reconsideration and an early Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

In the event there are any outstanding matters remaining in this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, D.C. area.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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